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Proposed Amendment to the PFA Rule relating to Pesticide Tolerance Limits

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Report Highlights:

On January 6, 2006, the Department of Health, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India (GOI) issued a draft Gazette notification under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act (PFA), proposing additional pesticide tolerance levels on several crops, including crops of export interest to the United States, namely apples, grapes, and soybeans. It has not been notified to the WTO.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes a proposed draft amendment to the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules framed under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act (PFA), 1954, which sets additional pesticide tolerance limits on several crops, including apples, grapes, and soybeans, among other products. It has not been notified to the WTO.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Draft

Important Dates:

- **Publication Date:** January 6, 2006.
- **Time period for receiving Comments/Suggestions:** 60 days from the date of publication (March 7, 2006).

Comments/suggestions should be addressed to:

Secretary
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Government of India
Nirman Bhawan
New Delhi – 110 011

Products Affected: Apples, grapes, wheat, peas, soybean oil, among other products.

Agency in Charge: Department of Health, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI

Proposed Major Changes: Tolerance level for some of the pesticides have been established as listed below:

Crop	Pesticides	Tolerance Limit mg/kg (ppm)
Apple	Difenoconazole	0.01
Grapes	Dimethomorph	0.05
Soybean	Quizalofop-ethyl	0.05

The Draft Indian Notification is available at: <http://mohfw.nic.in/7.pdf>

For More Information: Contact the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration web site: <http://mohfw.nic.in/pfa.htm>

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